

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE: : Chapter 11
NORTHWESTERN CORP., : Bankruptcy No. 03-12872 (JLP)
Debtor. :
LAZARD FRERES & CO., LLC., :
Appellant, :
v. : Civil Action No. 05-395-JJF
NORTHWESTERN CORP. :
Appellee. :

O R D E R

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2005, the Court issued an Order setting an appeal briefing schedule ("Briefing Schedule Order");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Court's Briefing Schedule Order, Appellant, Lazard Freres & Co., LLC filed its Opening Brief on appeal on January 4, 2006 ;

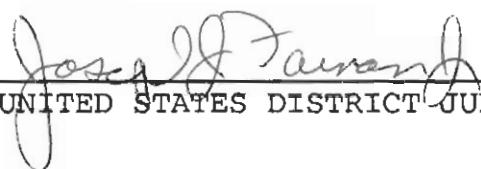
WHEREAS, the Appellee's Answering Brief on appeal was to be filed within fifteen days of receipt of the opening brief;

WHEREAS, to date, the Appellee has not yet filed its Answering Brief on appeal;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Appellee shall file its Answering Brief on appeal no later than **April 21, 2006**. If Appellee does not file an Answering Brief on appeal by the date indicated, the Court will render its decision on the papers

submitted.

April 10, 2006
DATE


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE